

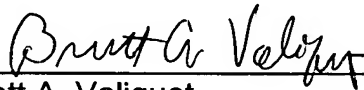
REMARKS

The Examiner indicated that claim 22 would be allowed if placed in independent form. This has been done. Dependent claims 23-32 as amended herein all now depend from allowable claim 22. Therefore these dependent claims are allowable at least for the reasons claim 22 is allowable, and also by reciting additional features not suggested.

Cancelled dependent claim 21 has now been rewritten as new dependent claim 41 which is also allowable at least for the reasons claim 22 is allowable, and also by reciting an additional feature not suggested.

All claims are now believed to be allowable and allowance of the application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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